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MS. DENNISON: Jeff, for the record he's indicated that he listed the materials subpoenaed and produced by the Bridge City Police Department. This was part of those documents.

MR. BAGNELL: Right. I'm just saying it's not listed in either of the review of case materials. That's all I'm trying to establish.

- Q. (BY MR. BAGNELL) Well, on that no question, Derek.

 I saw the videos. Were you the person doing those videos that were produced?
- 13 A. No.
- Q. It didn't look like it. Do you know who that was?
 - A. No. I'm not that thin.
- 16 Q. Someone at Sig Sauer?
 - A. Yeah, it was Tyler.
- 18 Q. What's his name?
- 19 A. I think his name is Tyler.
- Q. Okay. Did you do any videos yourself above and beyond what Tyler did?
 - A. Of myself?
- Q. No. Of the incident and trying to recreate the incident.
 - A. No, no, no. I didn't do any more videos. The videos



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I performed myself were what was done at North Star.

- Q. Okay. Was there any attempt to recreate the actual incident, in terms of putting a holstered P320 in a purse with other objects in it at any time?
 - A. No. I wasn't part of any if there were.
- Q. All right. And last question I have for you, Derek. In your first report, you don't really make a conclusion as to what happened other than to say that Miss Hilton violated the rules of gun safety, muzzle control. Do you recall that?
- A. Muzzle control and causing the trigger to be actuated.
- Q. Right. And your second report you get a little bit more specific, and you say it was either the mask cord or the USB charging cable; is that right?

MS. DENNISON: Objection to form.

THE WITNESS: That is false. That's not what I said. I said that those two objects have been proven to be capable of pulling the trigger, but I did not limit it to those two objects as to what happened, no.

- Q. (BY MR. BAGNELL) All right. Well, what do you think pulled Miss Hilton's trigger?
- A. We don't have enough information to lock it down to any one thing because there was no witnesses other than Mrs. Hilton, who didn't see the gun actually discharge, according to her testimony. So the thing is is we don't have enough



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(Interruption.)

- Q. (BY MR. BAGNELL) All right. Derek, I think when this cut off, you were in the process of saying something that there's not enough information. Can you just complete your response to the best of your ability.
 - A. Can you repeat the question? I'm sorry.

MR. BAGNELL: Alyssa, can you read it back the

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THE REPORTER: Yeah. Question: "All right. Well, what do you think pulled Miss Hilton's trigger?"

THE WITNESS: So given that we don't have the witnesses of the incident, nobody saw the gun discharge, the -- all the physical evidence, all the testing of the pistol, all the conditions of its components and its assembly, has shown that the gun will not discharge absent trigger pull. So what we can say with a reasonable degree of engineering and scientific certainty is that the trigger was pulled. By what object it was pulled or the condition of the pistol at the time, meaning was it fully seated in the holster, not fully seated in the holster and everything, we don't have any way of answering what actually pulled. Now, we do know that you can pull the trigger by the USB cable that's in the purse. We do know that you can pull it by looping something around the trigger and pulling on it. So those are options, but I

